

QCE Assessment Planner

How QCE assessment builds across the year, a term-by-term map of what typically happens when, and a blank grid to fill in with your own subjects and dates.

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How QCE assessment builds

QCE Units 3 and 4 subjects are assessed through three internal assessments — IA1, IA2 and IA3 — confirmed by the QCAA, followed by an external assessment (EA) set and marked by the QCAA. For most General subjects the EA contributes a smaller share of the final result than the internal assessments, though the exact weighting differs by subject — confirm it for each of your subjects.

Because IA1, IA2 and IA3 are spread across the year and confirmed through a formal QCAA process, there is no single moment where a whole subject's internal result is decided. Steady preparation for each internal task protects the result that external assessment then builds on in Term 4.

QCE year at a glance

TERM	WHAT'S TYPICALLY HAPPENING	WHAT TO PLAN FOR
Term 1	IA1 is due in many Year 12 subjects.	Confirm the IA1 date for every subject and start preparing at least three weeks out.
Term 2	IA2 is due in many subjects; QCAA confirmation processes run in the background.	Review IA1 feedback before starting IA2 preparation so the same issues don't repeat.
Term 3	IA3, the final internal assessment, is due in most subjects.	Once IA3 is submitted, shift preparation time onto external assessment practice.
Term 4	External Assessment (EA) – QCAA's own set examinations – is sat across the state.	Practise under EA-style timing and conditions for every examined subject.

Dates shift between schools and years — this maps the typical rhythm, not a fixed calendar. Confirm exact dates with your school and the official authority for your state.

Assessment types explained

TYPE	WHAT IT INVOLVES	HOW IT COUNTS
IA1 / IA2 / IA3	Internal assessments set by your school, confirmed and endorsed by the QCAA.	Together make up the internal assessment share of your subject result.
External Assessment (EA)	A QCAA-set and QCAA-marked examination sat at the end of Year 12.	Weighted differently by subject — confirm your subject's exact share with your teacher.

My planner

Fill this in with your own subjects, tasks and dates as your school confirms them.

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Notes and tutor hand-off

Bring this page to your next session so the tutor can start from what actually blocked you.

Which subject's task calendar is least clear to you right now?

One thing to confirm with your teacher this week:

The task you are most behind on:

What you want a tutor to focus on first:

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